(c) the reasons for low density so far as Madhya Pradesh is concerned?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) This Ministry is primarily responsible for the development and maintenance of National Highways only. All other roads fall within the purview of the respective State Government. The National Highway length per thousand square km. in Madhya Pradesh during 1996-97 was 6.58 km. compared to the current percentage of 15.1 km.

(b) and (c) The All India percentage of National Highway length per thousand square km. is 17.7 The figures of Madhya Pradesh are comparable.

Mobile trauma care vans

2064. SHRI THANGA TAMIL SELVAN: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of accidents on the National Highways, showing the number of deaths separately, during the last three years, State-wise; and

(b) whether Government would introduce 'mobile trauma care vans' on the National Highways besides constructing traumacare centres at specific points along the stretches of Highways to provide quick relief to accident victims?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) The State-wise details for the years 1999, 2000 and 2001 are given in the enclosed Statement (*See* below).

(b) The Minister of Health and Family Welfare provides assistance to the States/UTs under the scheme of 'Assistance for Capacity Building' for upgradation of emergency services/trauma care facilities in hospitals including those located near the National Highways. Besides this Ministry also provides Cranes and Ambulances under National Highway Accident Relief Service Scheme to State Governments/Non Governmental Organisations for transporting road accident victims to nearest place where medical facilities are available.

Statement

State-wise road accidents and persons killed on National Highways

	Road Accidents		
All India/States/UTs.	1999	2000	2001
1	2	3	4
Andhra Pradesh	8518	7203	8626
Arunachal Pradesh	53	70	93
Assam	1754	1889	1927
Bihar	1899	2127	1167
Chhattisgarh	Included in Madhya Predesh	2096	2597
Goa	887	1091	1149
Gujarat	7758	1813	6738
Haryana	2779	2765	3033
Himachal Pradesh	829	709	898
Jammu and Kashmir	2112	2328	526
Jharkhand	Included in Bihar	1419	1392
Karnataka	9162	9605	N.A.
Kerala	7596	8512	10095
Madhya Pradesh	6783	5611	7164
Maharashtra	15343	16150	14269
Manipur	214	217	208
Meghalaya	159	186	370
Mizoram	36	31	52
Nagaland	57	35	54
Orissa	2651	2784	2759
Punjab	1223	1268	1256
Rajasthan	6778	6718	7465
Sikkim	33	29	43
Tamil Nadu	16329	18615	19881
Tripura	242	184	202
Uttaranchal	Included in Uttar Pradesh	236	469
Uttar Pradesh	6442	6198	5790
West Bengal	2615	2443	2791(P)
A and N Islands	Nil	Nil	Nil
Chandigarh	56	62	45
D and N Haveli	Nil	Nil	Nil
Daman and Diu	Nil	Nil	Nil
Delhi	1153	1277	1123

1	2	3	4
Lakshadweep	Nil	Nil	Nil
Pondicherry	378	537	595
TOTAL:	103839	110508	102777(P)
	Persons Killed		
All India/States/UTs.	1999	2000	2001
Andhra Pradesh	3273	2539	2815
Arunachal Pradesh	13	11	23
Assam	848	808	824
Bihar	842	727	442
Chhattisgarh	Included in Madhya Predesh	363	382
Goa	96	110	112
Gujarat	1241	1973	1275
Haryana	1137	1150	1178
Himachal Pradesh	209	159	273
Jammu and Kashmir	360	320	145
Jharkhand	Included in Bihar	493	677
Karnataka	2015	2185	N.A.
Kerala	876	945	1114
Madhya Pradesh	1480	1266	1557
Maharashtra	3181	3445	3318
Manipur	73	56	45
Meghalaya	78	66	101
Mizoram	16	33	43
Nagaland	13	33	23
Orissa	869	951	924
Punjab	887	823	861
Rajasthan	2313	2312	2455
Sikkim	10	8	11
Tamil Nadu	3639	4362	4407
Tripura	86	41	74
Uttaranchal	Included in Uttar Pradesh	142	321
Uttar Pradesh	3700	3418	3876
West Bengal	1069	1026	1389(P)
A and N Islands	Nil	Nil	Nil
Chandigarh	21	22	9
D and N Haveli	Nil	Nil	Nil
Daman and Diu	Nil	Nil	Nil

1	2	3	4
Delhi	296	330	268
Lakshadweep	Nil	Nil	Nil
Pondicherry	72	99	2
TOTAL:	28713	30216	28944(P)

N.A.= Not Available, P=Provisional

Width of the roads made under CRF

†2065. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether parameters have been set for the width, etc. of the roads, being constructed and improved with the Central Road Fund in various States;

(b) if so, whether some complaints to the effect have been received from the State of Uttaranchal that width of the Almora-Ghat and Kausani-Bageshwar roads being constructed under the said scheme had been found short in context of the hilly terrains; and

(c) if so, whether directions have been issued to widen black top of the roads of the hilly areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) The guidelines for formulation of State Sector Road Development proposals to be financed from Central Road Fund stipulate, *inter alia*, that the standards, design and specification of the works to be proposed are to follow the relevant Indian Roads Congress/Ministry of Road Transport and Highways guidelines, codes and specification.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise

Tax on renewal of vehicles

2066. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to impose heavy taxes on the renewal of vehicles after fifteen years;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.